

RESOLUTION NO. 96
Major General Cassie Strom (Ret.)

WHEREAS, having spent 31 years in the Air Force rising to the rank of Major General, Cassie Strom now devotes her legal efforts in the support of the people of the City of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, seeing that there was a need to assist veterans in removing barriers that prevented them from accessing services, Cassie set up The Veterans Advocacy Project for the Catholic Legal Assistance Ministry; and

WHEREAS, The Veterans Advocacy Project is housed in Scott Hall at St. Louis University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, The Veterans Advocacy Project is a wonderful community for helping veterans; the Federal Government, State Government, the City of St. Louis, VA hospitals, local veterans groups, and surrounding counties work together to assist veterans with housing benefits, mental health issues, job search and placement, legal issues, and the daily business of living; and

WHEREAS, once a week, Cassie visits various homeless shelters offering legal assistance, taking in new clients, and managing legal resources to solve various problems; she also performs work for a legal clinic at St. Patrick Center—all pro bono; and

WHEREAS, Cassie Strom uses her desire and passion to help those on the fringe of society, her ability to get others to join her cause is infectious and draws others to service that would not otherwise participate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to thank Major General Cassie Strom for her many contributions to our community. We further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 12th day of August, 2016, by:

The Honorable Thomas A. Villa, Alderwoman 11th Ward

Adopted the 12th day of August, 2016, as attested by:

Timothy O'Connell
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen